In 2019 -2020, AWA anticipates spending $6,292,748 on projects to improve and maintain water and wastewater systems throughout Amador County.

Some projects are already underway; others are anticipated to start up before July 1, 2020. These include:

- Ione Water Treatment Plant Rehab
- Ione Hydroelectric Generator
- Pioneer Water Main Replacement
- Redwood Storage Tank Replacements
- Standby Generators (replacement & new)
- Plant Safety Improvements at the Buckhorn Water Treatment Plant
- Martell Sewer Improvements
- Security Upgrades

Project costs will be paid through four sources of revenue, depending on the project.

- Grant Proceeds: $2,224,859
- Participation Fees, Property Tax and Reserves: $1,922,001
- Loan Proceeds: $1,812,286
- Community Facilities District Funds: $1,091,000

AWA celebrated 60 years of serving Amador County in 2019. In 2018 - 2019 efforts included:

**Customer Outreach and Convenience:** Amplified Facebook presence for emergencies and information; Improved online billing platform and pay by phone option; Automated customer notification system; Enhanced website features.

**Fire Safety & Prevention:** Tree Mortality Program to remove dead and dying trees that threatened AWA facilities; Cooperative project with local fire agencies to formalize fire hydrant testing.

**Grant Writing:** Success in obtaining state and federal grant funds allowed AWA to make major infrastructure improvements and replacement, at little or no cost to Amador County ratepayers.

**Conservation:** The Tanner Backwash Plant was completed, conserving millions of gallons of water every year.

Looking forward to 2019-2020, AWA will focus on the following efforts, which are funded in the 2019-2020 budget:

- Comprehensive Master Plan
- Improved transparency and public information access
- Staff leadership and employee focus
- Protection of the water supply through watershed health and mitigation to prevent catastrophic wildfire
- Plant facility safety & reliability
- Fire protection improvements
- PG&E power outage preparedness
- Camanche Wastewater System: Survey and replacement system planning
- Technical and field support to other Amador County utility partners
- Infrastructure projects listed under “Projects” in this brochure
### Revenue Categories

**WATER AND WASTEWATER SALES:**
Payments from all AWA customers

**RESERVES:**
Funds set aside to meet future needs; for example, unexpected repairs or improvements

**PARTICIPATION FEES:**
Funds paid by property owners to join a water or wastewater system, representing their “share” of the built infrastructure

**LOAN PROCEEDS:**
AWA has borrowed at low interest rates for new or replacement infrastructure

**GRANT PROCEEDS:**
State & Federal project funding that does not have to be paid back

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT (CFD):**
Payments by members of the district for public works projects within the district

**CONTRACT SERVICES (CONT SERV):**
Payments to AWA for providing services to other districts

**PROPERTY TAX:**
The County of Amador passes on a small portion of property taxes to AWA

**OTHER REVENUE:**
Special fees for service, payments from PG&E, bad debt recovery

### Expense Categories

**SALARIES:**
Salaries paid to current AWA employees

**BENEFITS:**
Employee insurances, overtime, vacation time

**CALPERS REDUCED RATE:**
Employer’s portion of employees’ retirement funds

**RETIREE BENEFITS:**
Fund to pay AWA retiree benefits

**OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE:**
Costs to run facilities (not including salaries): utilities, vehicle cost, equipment, testing, licenses, chemicals, supplies

**ADMINISTRATION (ADMIN):**
Customer billing, consultants and outside services, printing, insurances, training

**DEBT SERVICE:**
Interest on funds borrowed to pay for infrastructure

**FIXED ASSETS:**
Equipment for shops & office, vehicle purchases, tools & instruments

**PROGRAMS:**
Preventative maintenance programs not included elsewhere

**RESERVES:**
Funds set aside to meet future needs; for example, unexpected repairs or improvements

**PROJECTS:**
Repairs, replacement and new construction projects (see “Projects” in this brochure for detail); excludes AWA labor